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### ANSWERS FINAL SUMMONS.

George E. Hoskinson Passes Away After a Week of Intense Suffering.

George E. Hoskinson died in this city on Saturday afternoon after an illness of a little more than a week, the cause of his death being neuralgia of the heart. Mr. Hoskinson was 67 years of age and had been a resident of this city during the past 18 years, during which time he has operated the plant of the Pioneer Wood Pulp company, of which he was one of the principal owners. During his residence in this city Mr. Hoskinson has become a familiar figure to the people here, his daily walk to and from his place of business, which was made without fail no matter what the weather, leading many to think that he was a much younger man than he really was, and it is indeed hard to realize that he has passed out of this life, never to return.

Mr. Hoskinson was born in Akron, Ohio, and after graduating from the public school attended Beloit college for one year. His father, however, was unable to keep him in school, and as college educations were not considered so necessary to a successful career in those days as they are now. Mr. Hoskinson, then but eighteen years of age, started for Chicago to see what could be done in the commercial world of what was then one of the prosperous little cities of the country.

Mr. Hoskinson has told the writer how he struggled for an existence in the Garden city with but indifferent success and how the whole thread of his life was changed by a walk he took along the river front one day. Here he saw a sign advertising Green Bay lumber, and having heard of the town and being anxious to learn more of it he went into the place and soon learned that a boat was soon to start for that port with a load of merchandise, with which it was proposed to open a store. Before he left young George had struck a bargain with the proposed merchant to go to Green Bay and work for him.

This was the turning point of his life, the not the end of his struggles. After selling the stock for his employer Mr. Hoskinson went into the mercantile business for himself, at which he remained for a number of years in Green Bay.

He afterward associated himself with Mr. Follette of that city and these two gentlemen published the Green Bay Gazette, which still exists as a daily in that town. When Mr. Hoskinson became reminiscent he would tell of some of the difficulties of conducting a newspaper in the good old times in a city where a large share of the people were foreigners who had not found it necessary to acquire a knowledge of the English language, and where French was used in many places of business almost to the exclusion of every other tongue.

No doubt the existence was a precarious one and according to Mr. Hoskinson's account there was always more liability of a visit from the sheriff than from the man who was desirous of paying his bill.

In 1874 Mr. Hoskinson was appointed consul to Jamaica, and he spent twelve years on that little island in the service of the government. As he was an observing man and well read, these twelve years under the equator were not wasted to him, and as a consequence he was able to tell much of the life and customs of the people in that part of the world, and his descriptions were always worth listening to by one who was unfamiliar with southern life.

The change in the political administration of the country in 1885 caused the removal of Mr. Hoskinson, and he returned to this country to take up his old life as a private citizen. Mr. Hoskinson came to this city in 1886 and has since been engaged in business here. To say that his business relations here have been of the most pleasant and upright nature would only partly express the matter. It was his nature to be honest and upright and those who were brought in contact with him in a business way have nothing but words of praise for his methods.

On the 27th of August, 1860, he was married in Green Bay to Miss Caroline King, and his wife and five daughters survive and mourn the loss of one of the kindest husbands and fathers that ever lived. The daughters are Mrs. P. MacKinnon and Miss Grace Hoskinson of this city, Mrs. Arthur Ramsay and Mrs. A. E. Mitten of Seattle, Washington, and Mrs. E. M. Platt of Chicago. The children were all present at the bedside of their father during his last hours with the exception of Mrs. Mitten,

who was unable to come so long a distance.

The funeral was held on Tuesday afternoon from the Episcopal church, the services being conducted by the Rev. Alexander Corbett. It had been the intention of Bishop Weller to be here to conduct the services, but the delay in the trains caused him to miss connections so that he could not get here in time. The bishop was an intimate friend of the deceased and was here on Friday and Saturday and spent a day with his dying friend.

In the death of Mr. Hoskinson the city has lost one of its truest and most enlightened citizens, the family a husband and father whose merits are known only to them, and the state a citizen whom any man might be proud to call his friend.

### Death of John McCann.

John McCann, one of the old settlers of this city, died at his home on the east side on Saturday night after an illness that has extended over a period of a year or more.

Mr. McCann has been a resident of the city for the past twenty-one years, and was as well known as anybody in the city, being of a sociable and genial nature, even after he had been stricken with the illness which finally resulted in his death.

Deceased was a native of New York state, where he was born September 17th, 1830. He came to Wisconsin in 1859, and to Grand Rapids in 1872. He was a veteran of the civil war, having enlisted at the outbreak of the rebellion, and was afterward sent home severely wounded.

Mr. McCann is survived by his wife and one son, Henry, who is a member of the well known mercantile firm of Spafford, Cole & Co. of this city.

The funeral occurred on Monday from the home, the services being conducted by the Revs. Shaw, Peterson and Putnam. A large number of Mr. McCann's old comrades, members of Wood county post, attended the funeral, besides his many friends who followed the remains to their last resting place in Forest Hill cemetery.

### An Exciting Fire Run.

A few blasts from the big whistle on the electric light plant on Monday brought out the east side fire company with its usual promptness, and as the whistle said that the fire was in the 4th ward, the company lost no time in getting up into that neighborhood.

The apparatus was turned in toward the Lincoln high school and then took a circle about in that neighborhood, the members of the company keeping a sharp lookout for a building from which smoke was issuing, but nothing could be seen. Another circle was made about in the fourth ward, the firemen thinking that maybe as the flames developed they would be able to discover the whereabouts of the conflagration.

Charles Podawiltz, who occupied a reserved seat on the fire truck, says that they then started a house to house canvass of the 4th ward, but nobody could be discovered who knew anything of the fire.

Giving it up as a hopeless case the firemen returned to the city hall and telephoned to the central station and asked where the fire was. Central reported that it was Koller's house that was afire and the firemen gave it up as a bad job.

They subsequently learned that the alarm had been sent in from the home of F. E. Bump, who lives on the hill, and that soon after the alarm had been turned in the blaze had been extinguished and nothing more was thought of the matter. As the weather was excessively cold nobody went out to watch for the fire company, so that they were not discovered when they reached that neighborhood.

### Will Open Book Store.

Charles A. Mackey of Wausau arrived in the city on Tuesday and intends to open a book and stationery store in the Freeman building, near the Witter house on the east side. Mr. Mackey comes well recommended from his old home at Wausau, and he intends to conduct a store that should prove a popular one in an intellectual burg like this.

### A Good Show.

It was the unanimous verdict of those who witnessed the presentation of "Down and Up" in the Cason opera house last evening that the show is a good one. It is uproariously funny, and the numerous wirth-provoking situations were greatly appreciated. A return date will be played in two weeks - Pittsfield, (Mass.) Eagle. At the Grand Opera House Saturday, Dec. 19th.

### BIG FIRE AT DEXTERVILLE.

Hotel Bullis and Downings Store Burns to the Ground.

The village of Dextererville was visited by a damaging fire on Sunday and as a result the Bullis house and the general merchandise store of William Downing lie in a mass of ruins. The dwelling house belonging to Wm. Downing, which stood beside the store, was also damaged to considerable extent, it having been afire several times and only saved from destruction by superhuman effort.

The loss all told will probably amount to \$18,000, Mr. Downing figuring his loss at between ten and eleven thousand and the Bullis property will amount to between two and three thousand.

The fire started in the Bullis house, and was probably caused by a defective flue, as the whole top of the house was afire when the fire was discovered. The Bullis property stands just south of the Downing store and as there was no kind of fire protection except what could be done by the inhabitants with pails, the fire communicated to the store and burned it to the ground.

Some of the furniture was removed from the Bullis house, but the only thing that was gotten from the store was a couple of the mail sacks, which Frank Downing ran in and saved.

Mr. Downing's dwelling stood just north of the store, and as the latter burned, the house was continually in danger, but everybody was out with pails and assisted in the work, and while the fire was being quenched on the outside, others were taking the furniture from the interior, and this was all removed before it was discovered that the dwelling could be saved.

Considerable of the loss came from the removal of the furniture from the dwelling so rapidly. This was afterward moved back when the flames had abated sufficiently to show there was no further danger.

Mr. Downing was in the city on Monday and reports that he has an insurance of \$4,000 on the store and contents and \$1,000 on the house Mr. Downing reports that the women of the village worked as hard as the men in the bucket brigade, in fact he said that it was his opinion that they did more than the men in the way of carrying water and helping at the fire. It is probable that Mr. Downing will rebuild his store, though nothing much can be done until the cold weather lets up to some extent.

Mr. Downing had just got thru with putting in a new stock of groceries and drygoods, and had cleaned out much of his old stock, and was figuring that he had got things in pretty good shape for doing a good business the coming season, when his plans were all upset by the fire. He takes his losses philosophically, however, which is much the best way to do in a case of this kind.

### Clerks Form Organization.

The clerks of this city held a meeting at the Spafford hall on Sunday afternoon and effected an organization to be known as the Clerks Union. The following officers were elected: H. L. Miscoll, president. William Brennan, secretary. E. E. Armstrong, vice president. Charles Halvorsen, treasurer.

A set of resolutions were drawn setting forth the objects of the association and a committee consisting of Ed Armstrong, Frank Abel and John Vanderhei was appointed to see the different merchants of the city and ascertain if the objects of the association cannot be complied with without any hardship to anybody.

One of the principal objects of the association is to ask the merchants of the city to close their places of business at six o'clock every evening except Saturday and not open them until seven in the morning. They express themselves as willing to work as late as necessary on Saturday evening in order to clean up any business that may be coming in. The new order of business is to go into effect after the holidays, as the clerks expect to put in more time just now than is necessary at other times of the year.

It is pretty well understood among the clerks, who as a general run average up a pretty bright lot of fellows, that their prosperity depends upon the prosperity of their employers, and it is not their intention to ask anything of the merchants that will prove a hardship in any way. This is the right spirit to have in the matter, and so long as they keep the interests of their employers at heart there is no question but what the merchants will deal fairly with them.

Go to Hebert's for fine photos.

### A Good Entertainment.

The scholars of the high school gave a Shakespeare entertainment on Friday afternoon and there were a number of visitors present who pronounced the affair one of the best of the kind they had ever witnessed. The principal part of the entertainment was three scenes from The Merchant of Venice, and the manner in which the young people took their parts made it evident that they thoroughly understood what they were about and appreciated what the author was trying to express to the public in his writing.

The program was as follows:  
Early English Drama... Rose Metzger  
Life and Work of Shakespeare....

..... Myrtle Rowland  
Characterization of Shylock.....  
..... Antoinette Smith  
Sketch of Portia..... Natalie Hunnell  
Outline of the Play..... Irene Gilkey  
Music..... Rosa Wiperman  
Act 1, Scene II. Merchant of Venice.  
Portia..... Blanche Mickelson  
Misanthrope..... Fern Love  
Servant..... Gervais Stout  
Act 2 Scene II.—A street in Venice  
Launcelot Gobbo..... Henry Bever  
Old Gobbo..... Howard Crotteau  
Act IV. Scene I.—Court of Justice.  
Duke..... Henry Winger  
Shylock..... Carl Odegard  
Antonio..... Wilbur McCamley  
Bassanio..... Jerry Herscheb  
Gratiano..... Bert McDonald  
Solanio..... Pearl Chose  
The Young Lawyer.....

..... Blanch Mickelson  
Her attendant..... Fern Love  
Clerk..... Will Milstein  
Servant..... Grover Stout

### WILL ORGANIZE CLUB.

Business Men to Interest Themselves Socially and Financially.

Several of our business men have been holding meetings during the past few weeks, and the outcome of the matter is that they have decided to organize themselves into a club or society.

The primary object of this society was purely of a social nature, but since discussing the matter it has been decided to add a sort of business proposition to the affair, and whenever necessary or it can be done, to advance the interests of the city outside of mere social features.

Nothing definite has as yet been done in the way of organization, but it is expected that this will be brought about in the near future.

These city clubs have proven very popular in other places, but one of the principal things desirable for their success is a suitable building or apartments in which can be fixed up quarters that will be a drawing card in themselves. It is impossible to get anything of the kind in this city at the present time, but there is no doubt that new buildings will be erected in the city in the near future, when something suitable can be obtained. Until this is possible it is not probable that any general organization will be effected.

There is no question but what an organization of this sort will prove of benefit to the city, as it will have a tendency to bring the representative people of the city in closer touch with each other socially and consequently they will be more closely connected from a business standpoint.

Probably one of the greatest drawbacks to accomplishing anything for the good of the public in this city in the past has been in the fact that the business men of the city are so far apart that when anything comes up that requires a united effort they find that they are hardly acquainted with their neighbor and do not know how he would stand on a proposition and are afraid to approach him on the subject.

### Moved to New Location.

James Palzin, the West Side printer, has removed his store on Main street, in building formerly occupied by Pavlick & Rick where he will be ready for business about the 12th of Dec. with a large stock of wall paper and paints. Call on him when you want first class work.

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BY ALEX RICKETTS.

"Say," asked the talkative com-  
mercial traveler, as he preferred being  
called, "did you ever strike a town  
that was terrorized by what they de-  
ludingly called a Town Improvement  
society in the midst of its annual  
spring spasm?"

"No," I replied, yawning wearily.  
"I don't believe I ever have. Why?"  
"There wouldn't be any belief about  
it if you had, you'd know it—know it  
just as sure as you'd know inflamma-  
tory rheumatism if you had that, and,  
say, you put up a suppliance, or a  
gross of 'em would be safer, every day  
you live that your steps will never be  
led into one of 'em, such ding-blatted,  
finicky, foolish towns, I mean," he ad-  
vised, with such fervid earnestness  
that one of the buttons flew off his  
vest. "Pray that you'll get sent to the  
Philippines, or the penitentiary, or  
even the scaffold, but be forever kept  
out of such a town if you value your  
peace of mind above a one-cent can-  
celed postage stamp."

"What's the matter with them?" I  
asked, smiling superciliously at his  
heat.

"Everything, everything that's heart  
breaking and nerve-racking and brain-  
twisting, everything that goes to make  
a toad's life under a harrow one round  
of joyless and futile unrest," he re-  
plied, sadly and solemnly.

"You seem to have had some expe-  
rience," I suggested, curiously.

"I have. Oh, yes, I have," he agreed,  
emphatically. "I struck one town like  
that the other day, and I never expect  
to be the same man again. I've had to  
use gallons and gallons of hair dye  
ever since so's my customers can recog-  
nize me; talk about hair turning white  
in a single night, mine turned white  
in the daytime. The giddy whirl be-  
gan when I sauntered out of the post  
office and threw a circular I'd received  
away in the street. I didn't mean any  
harm. I had no intention of disfig-  
uring the town beyond repair. It was  
not a deep laid and diabolically inge-  
nious plot of mine to ruin the fair fame  
for neatness possessed by that com-  
munity. I simply didn't want that cir-  
cular. It did not seem to be of enough  
value to me or to my posterity to war-  
rant my filing it away in the family  
archives. So I disposed of it in the  
natural, usual way. But I was imme-  
diately pounced upon by a large and  
brawny policeman, a whole lot brawn-  
ier around the waist than anywhere  
else, and run in before the mayor,  
who casually fined me a five-spot for  
hitting up the streets with waste pa-  
per. Say, I don't call a poor little  
innocent four by six circular of a cough  
balm much of a litter, do you?"

"Well, when I got out of the mayor's  
office I leaned up against a tree to kind  
of catch my breath and figure things  
out a little, and I'll be josh-swizzled  
if that same cop didn't jump me again,  
run me back again, and I was prompt-  
ly fined five more for brushing the  
whitewash off that tree. I offered to  
whitewash the whole blasted police  
force, and throw the mayor in himself  
for good measure for the same amount,  
but I only got fined five more for con-  
tempt of court for my pains. I ain't  
exaggerating a mite.

"You can bet high," he continued  
after a long sigh, "that when I made  
my escape after that I didn't take any  
more foolish and reckless chances of  
violating any more of their hospitable  
ordinances, not me. I just wiped my  
shoes clean with my pocket handker-  
chief, and tiptoed tenderly down the  
exact middle of the street, taking all  
the pains in the world not to damage  
or deface, or even touch any of their  
things except the dirt under my toes,  
and that just as lightly as my two hun-  
dred avoidupois would let me, and  
holding my breath all the way for fear  
I'd be again arrested and run in and  
fined some more for not harmonizing  
with the landscape, or having some-  
thing martistic about my general style  
of architecture. I'm sticking to the  
facts."

"But somehow, or other, after all  
my trouble, I must have got kind of  
careless when I saw my hotel almost  
in reach and let my mind wander from  
the necessary and prudent precautions  
I'd been taking to the charming time  
I'd been enjoying, and somehow I must  
have got to thinking out loud. Any-  
way, darned if the next thing I knew  
I wasn't grabbed by that ubiquitous  
copper and skated off to his honor, the  
mayor, once more and fined ten this  
time for swearing out loud in public.  
This is straight goods I'm giving you."

"Well, I refused to move from that  
office after this. I just sat meek and  
humble, and you bet silent, in one cor-  
ner of it reading over and over again,  
so's not to think of anything else,  
a text hung up on the wall—it was  
"The Lord Loveth a Cheerful Giver,"—  
until a message I'd sent brought the  
trunk. Then I had him load me into it,  
lock the lid down good and fast, cart  
it down to the station and ship me  
out of town on the first train that went  
anywhere. If I hadn't had sense  
enough to think of that, I reckon I'd  
be there yet getting run in and paying  
fines."

"But I'm going back there some day.  
Yes, sir, I'm going back to that town  
the minute I'm a millionaire. I am.  
And I'm going to pile their streets  
chin-deep with waste paper, and I'm  
going to throw mud all over their con-  
founded whitewash, and I'm going to  
take about a thousand pirates along  
with me to holler cuss words all over  
the place, and do it right. That's what  
I'm going to do, you hear me," he con-  
cluded, with a peaceful and happy  
smile at the blissful prospect.—N. Y.  
Times.

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"When I first struck the Snake river  
country," said the old ranchman, "I was  
as green as tenderfoot as ever left the  
states. And the boys used to lay it all  
over me in them days in a way that was  
riling."

"One cold winter day, I remember, me  
and Dave Orcutt and Hank Timms was  
riding our ponies over to the Slawson  
ranch. I had, only been in the country  
two weeks and this was my first trip to  
Slawson's."

"There was a sharp wind blowing  
straight out of the north and the mer-  
cury was down to ten below. We  
humped along pretty lively till suddenly  
the boys pulled up sharp at the edge of  
a wide creek."

"Great buffaloes," says Hank Timms,  
"but the Little Cimarron is on a tear. I  
wouldn't try to ride across her for a  
thousand."

"We'll have to ride around to Har-  
per's ford," says Dave Orcutt.

"How far is that?" I asks.

"Thirty-six miles and a blamed poor  
road all the way," says Dave.

"How deep's the water?" I asks.

"Too dang deep for comfort," says  
Hank. "Your clothes'd freeze to your  
back in two minutes if you got 'em  
soaked."

"Well, it appeared to me that here was  
my chance to show that I was dead game  
even if I was a tenderfoot."

"I'm going to ride across right here,"  
I says.

"Don't you do it," pleads Hank.  
"You're new to the country yet, you  
know, and me and Dave has to look  
after you. You'll be foolish if you try  
it. Do you want your clothes froze to  
you?"

"I'll take my clothes off," I says, "and  
stand up on my saddle."

"But the people over to the ranch'll  
see you if you strip that way," says Dave.

"I'll fix it so they won't," I says, and  
with that I strips to the skin in the cold  
wind and puts on a long linen ulster that  
I had in my gunny sack. Then I ties up  
my clothes and hitches them around my  
neck, climbs up on top of the saddle, and  
starts down the bank.

"Go ahead if you must," says Dave,  
solemnly. "We boys'll wait here on the  
bank till you get across. An' remember  
that we warned you that you were foolish  
to try it that way."

"I starts my horse into the creek. As  
carefully as I can I steers him across,  
and they ain't a blame spot in that whole  
stream where the water is six inches  
deep."

"Once I had a dorg named Bill. He was  
a large, sad dorg, with only one eye, and  
he looked as though he'd been disap-  
pointed in love in early life. The only  
good point about Bill was his faithful-  
ness."

"Why, if I'd whistle anywhere, just  
one little whistle, Bill would quit what-  
ever he was doing and come running up  
to stick his nose in my hand and ask  
what it was I wanted. Leave a bone, Bill  
would, and come to my lowest whistle.  
So I got some attached to Bill on account  
of his faithfulness, and when it come so  
I had to go east for three months I didn't  
want to leave him with only the greasers  
at the ranch house to look after him.  
Bill was so plum faithful to me that it  
looks like I ought to be faithful to Bill."

"My nearest neighbor in them days  
was old man Slason, whose ranch is 14  
miles away on the Big Snake river. I go  
over to see Slason and ask him if he'll  
take care of Bill while I'm away."

"And let him sleep in the hall out-  
side your bedroom door, Slason," I says.  
Bill is the faithfullest dorg that ever  
lived, and he'll come to you at your  
slightest call."

"When I comes back, three months  
later, the first thing I does is to drive  
over to Slason's ranch to get Bill and  
bring him home. Slason is setting out  
on the porch of the ranch house when I  
rides up, and he looks sad when he sees  
it was me."

"Bill's dead," he says. "Poor Bill! He  
was too blamed faithful. It was faith-  
fulness that killed him."

"How's that?"

"Well, sir, the first night after you  
goes I turn in early and Bill—the blaried  
faithful cuss—he curls up on the bear  
skin in the hall, right beside my open  
door."

"Pretty soon I goes to sleep and then  
I starts to snore, my regular snore that  
I been a-using for more than 30 years reg-  
ular. Then all of a sudden I wakes up.  
There's something cold pressing against  
my face. It's poor old Bill's nose. He  
heard that first whistle of mine and  
comes in to see what I wanted. I drives  
Bill back to the hall, being some sore  
on getting waked up that way, and goes  
back to sleep again."

"It takes me a few minutes to get back  
to sleep, but as soon as I gets through  
my first ten snores and sounds my first  
little whistle, there's Bill's cold nose  
rubbing my forehead again to see what I  
wanted."

"By morning both me and Bill is plum  
wore out. All day both of us is busy in  
the corral, and we go to bed again early.  
The second night I was woke up again  
by Bill every tenth snore, but inside of a  
week I got so it didn't bother me none  
when he come and stuck his nose in my  
face to see what I wanted. After that I  
slept right straight through it. But I  
noticed that Bill keeps getting leaner and  
weaker and weaker."

"I got a bad cold in my head and I  
reckon that puts a little extra power onto  
my snorer. Anyway I whistles so loud  
that it wakes me up. I looks over jest  
in time to see Bill come staggering into  
the room. His ribs stuck out like the  
stays of a chicken coop and he's so weak  
that he can't hardly crawl across the  
floor. He creeps over to the bed and tries  
to raise himself up to lick my hand. But  
he can't make it. Casting one last glance  
at me Bill keels over and cashes in. He's  
sone up by lack of sleep."

"If ever they was a martyr to faith-  
fulness that dorg Bill was it."—Chicago  
Tribune.

BY EDWARD B. CLARKE.

"Father Tom" and "Doctor Jim" the-  
were called by the villagers. They were  
brothers, Thomas and James Radcliffe,  
respectively, old bachelors both, one the  
village parson, who looked after the  
souls of the brethren, while the other,  
Brother Jim, doctor'd their bodies.

The brothers passed every evening of  
their lives together, one night at the  
parsonage and the next at the "doctory,"  
and they passed every one over their  
pipes, for the parson wasn't a prig and  
the doctor was wont to say that tobacco  
was the only known specific for all hu-  
man ills.

"Tom," said his brother one evening,  
"I see that old Bill Lamson has died over  
at Leeds."

"Yes, Jim," said Father Tom, "and I  
was at his deathbed."

"I always suspected, Tom, that you  
knew all about Bill Lamson's part in the  
Johnson killing years ago, if he had a  
part in it, which I am inclined to be-  
lieve, by the way, and that you kept the  
whole thing to yourself."

"Well, suppose I did know about it,  
Jim. If Lamson told me anything—which  
I won't grant even now—he told it to  
me because I was a clergyman, and it's  
not in the clerical province to tell on a  
man who is repentant, no matter what  
his crime."

"Right you are, Tom, and I tell you  
that a physician ought to hold secrets  
just as tight if they come from a patient.  
I wouldn't give up a wounded murderer  
if he had come to me for treatment and  
had thrown himself on my mercy and on  
my professional care. I'd consider my-  
self a sort of a father confessor to his  
bodily ills, as you might to the sins of  
his soul."

"You're all wrong, Jim. You can't  
class the physician with the priest. The  
soul and the body are things apart and  
the touch of the sacred doesn't enter into  
your profession as it does into mine.  
You have no right to claim the clergy-  
man's exemption from giving evidence  
against an evil doer who has trusted in  
an injury."

The brothers separated for the night.  
Dr. Jim went into the little laboratory  
back of the sitting-room musing over the  
talk with his brother.

Dr. Jim sat up late studying. He  
heard a noise outside the door at an hour  
after midnight, and, throwing it open, a  
man fell into the room and onto the floor.  
"I seen your sign, doctor, with the light  
behind it. I guess I'm done for, but  
mebby you can fix me up."

The man gasped and fainter. Sturdy  
Dr. Jim picked him up and carried him to  
the laboratory, where he laid his burden  
on the lounge and made a hasty examina-  
tion. The man had a bullet hole through  
the thigh, and was weak from the loss of  
blood. Beyond that his injury wasn't  
serious. Dr. Jim staunch the flow and  
gave the man restoratives.

"Where did you get this wound?" he  
asked his midnight visitor when he had  
regained consciousness.

"Don't you tell on me, Doc. I trusted  
you. I cracked a place with a pal. He  
got away all right and has the swag, but  
I got shot when the old feller in the  
house waked up. Maybe I done for him.  
I don't know, though, but he didn't shoot  
again after he hit me, and I let drive  
back."

"You can't stay here," said Dr. Jim.  
"Patients and other people will be here  
to-morrow, and you can't travel for a  
week. I'll put you on a cot in a room  
over the summer kitchen at the back of  
the yard, and I'll look after you, though  
it goes against the grain." And the doc-  
tor smiled a bit grimly as he thought of  
his conversation with Father Tom a few  
hours before.

An hour later the wounded burglar  
was bandaged, fed and secreted in the  
upper chamber of the unused summer  
kitchen. There was a fierce pounding at  
Jim's front door. He opened it. The  
village constable and a dozen excited  
citizens were there. "Father Tom has  
been shot," they fairly howled at the  
physician.

The doctor found his brother suffering  
from a slight scalp wound and lamenting  
the loss of \$500, nearly all the money he  
had in the world.

Dr. Jim treated his brother, and then  
strode away toward his home. Sentiment  
was all right, but when a man's  
brother was shot, why, that was differ-  
ent. "You shot and robbed my brother,"  
he said, savagely, to the patient tossing  
on the cot.

"Was he your brother, Doc? I'm sorry,  
and you've been good to a feller  
Don't give me up, Doc."

The doctor cogitated. "Have you got  
the \$500 you robbed him of?" he asked.

"No, honest, Doc, I ain't. Sam got the  
hull of it."

"A man should not lo for his brother  
what he would not do for mankind at  
large," mused the doctor. He went to  
his study, took \$500 in bills from a recess  
in his desk, put it in a huge envelope with  
a slip of paper, on which he wrote in a  
disguised hand:

"Here's yer money. I didn't know you  
was a preacher. My father was one—  
Snaky Sam."

The doctor saw to it that his brother  
got the money the next day. The patient  
over the summer kitchen improved rap-  
idly. Day by day he would repeat: "So  
the parson is your brother. You're a  
good, game one, Doc."

In a week the burglar was gone. Three  
days later Dr. Jim received a package. It  
contained \$600 and a letter which said:  
"I met Sam. I got the money back, and  
then I raised some more, no matter how.  
The extra hundred is fer professional  
services. You're a good, game one, Doc.  
"LANKY BEN."

The next night Father Tom and Dr.  
Jim were sitting together smoking.  
"Jim," said Father Tom, "if I'd hit that  
burglar I shot at and he'd come here,  
what would you have done with him?"

"Tom, my boy, the time has come to  
talk of other things."—Chicago Record-  
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## NUTS AND FRUIT AS FOOD.

Experiments of Great Interest Have Been Conducted by the University of California.

The experiments that were carried on last winter by Dr. Harvey W. Wiley for the purpose of discovering whether or not the so called preservatives used on food products in this country are harmful, are not the only experiments that have been carried on along dietarian lines in this country in the past two or three years. Prof. M. E. Jaffa, assistant professor of agriculture at the university of California, carried on a series of experiments among frutarians, persons who live solely on fruit and nuts and fruit and nut products. These experiments were successful, and information of great value was obtained thru them, states the Washington Star. The department of agriculture has just published a pamphlet containing some of the data collected by Prof. Jaffa and edited by him. He says:

An investigation of the nutritive value of fruits, instituted by the office of experimental stations, was undertaken at the University of California in 1900-1901, and dietaries of five frutarians—two women and three children—were studied. At the same time with one of the children—a girl—a digestion experiment was made in which fruit and nuts constituted the entire diet. A study of the income and outgo of nitrogen and the estimation of the so-called metabolic nitrogen in the feces were included in the digestion experiment. The results showed in every case that the diet had a low protein and energy value the subjects were in apparently excellent health and had been so during the five to eight years they had been living in this manner.

Continuing the investigations on the nutritive value of fruits and nuts, it was deemed advisable to extend the work to include, in addition to women and children previously studied, subjects whose lives and habits differed considerably from those of the earlier investigation. Accordingly four men were selected, two being past middle age and two young men, university students. The elderly men had been more or less strict vegetarians and frutarians for years. One of the young men had been experimenting with the frutarian diet for several years, while the other was accustomed to the ordinary mixed diet.

Altho it is undoubtedly advisable to wait until more data have been gathered before making definite statements regarding the digestibility of different fruits and nuts, enough work has been done to show that they are quite thoroughly digested and have a much higher nutritive value than is popularly attributed to them. In view of this it is certainly an error to consider nuts as an accessory to an already heavy meal and to regard fruit merely as something of value for its pleasant flavor or for its hygienic or medicinal virtues.

As shown by their composition and digestibility, both fruit and nuts can be compared favorably with other and more common foods. As sources of carbohydrates, fruits at ordinary prices are not expensive, and as sources of protein and fat, nuts at usual prices are reasonable.

## TESTING THERMOMETERS.

There is as much difference in thermometers as there is in individuals—or razors. No two thermometers are exactly alike. Some thermometers are the work of scientific operation in the hands of experts; others are turned out like so many pairs of hand made shoes. With extremely sensitive and minutely accurate instruments needed for reliable work the greatest care is taken. They are kept in stock for years sometimes and compared with instruments known to be trustworthy beyond question. Naturally so much time cannot be spent over the cheap thermometer, altho more care is devoted to them than many purchasers suppose.

## Material Used.

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## How Graded.

The first guide mark, 32 degrees Fahrenheit, is found by plunging the bulb into melting snow, when it is to be had. This invariably gives the exact freezing point and is an unfailing test when the accuracy of a thermometer is suspected. When melting snow is scarce manufacturers use a little machine for shaving ice, which serves the purpose almost as well.

After their cold bath the thermometers go to another workman, who plunges them into a tub of water kept constantly at 64 degrees. Another takes them at 96 degrees, and so on, allowing 32 degrees for each guide mark. Then they are ready to be

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## Recipes.

From a solely pecuniary point of view there is no incentive to grow, gather or grade cranberries unless they can be disposed of to advantage. It is therefore of prime importance that the demand should be kept fully apace with the supply, if not a little ahead of it. Improper care in handling and poor cooking are, today, great stumbling blocks in the way of consumption. Ignorance or innocence of the real virtue and value of the fruit is another one. All, with intelligence, integrity, industry and intrepidity, can be converted and changed into stepping stones for a broader and better distribution.

## General Directions for Cooking.

As Cranberries contain such acute acids, there is no fruit which will so quickly act upon tin, iron or brass when brought into contact. Hence, always cook cranberries in earthen or porcelain lined vessels or granite or agate iron ware, or still better, aluminum kettles which are now quite reasonable in price, are light to handle, will not tarnish or discolor the sauce and do not easily scorch the material that is being cooked. As soon as the sauce is done, remove from kettle to glass dish. Never let any article of food containing cranberries stand in anything but earthenware or glass. Granulated sugar should always be used, as poorer qualities of sugar or molasses destroy the flavor of the fruit. Wash the fruit and sort out defective berries before cooking.

"Cranberries I prefer to cook and strain. They then form a nice jelly, free from skins and seeds. If there happens to be any of the white meat of the turkey left, mince it fine and mix with cranberry jelly, pressing it into small bowls. Turn out when cold, slice and eat for lunch or tea; or give to the children in their lunch baskets. It is a nice bit of the aftermath of the Thanksgiving or Christmas dinner. —Mrs. G. T. Dreunna in Wis. Agriculturist.

## The Season's Berry.

It is perhaps not generally known that the cranberry is a good food and a good medicine, the acid being cooling and purifying, the sugar nutritious, and the seeds laxative. It is a most wholesome fruit and many physicians recommend it for eruptive skin diseases. The juice makes a fine drink for people in fever.

The berries form an appetizing sauce for all kinds of game, fish, fowl and meats, and cranberry sauce and roast turkey have come to be an accepted part of Thanksgiving and Christmas menus. It should be prepared the day before using.

Always cook cranberries in an earthen crock or in granite lined dishes, for if iron, tin or brass utensils are used, the acid of the fruit will dissolve some of the metal and render the sauce discolored and unfit for use. —Wis. Agriculturist.

## Cranberry and the Turkey.

The turkey will look much more festive if served on a bed of parsley and garnished with bright red cranberries. Serve the currant jelly in cubes, formed with a spoon, and the cranberry sauce in diamonds. At an informal, the very charming dinner, last Thanksgiving, where it was desired to avoid trouble in serving, small plates at each cover held a small block each of cranberry and crabapple jelly, a tender stalk of celery and a couple of olives. These were in place when the dinner was announced, and formed a very pleasing note in the color scheme of the decorations. —May Foster Snider.

## Try It.

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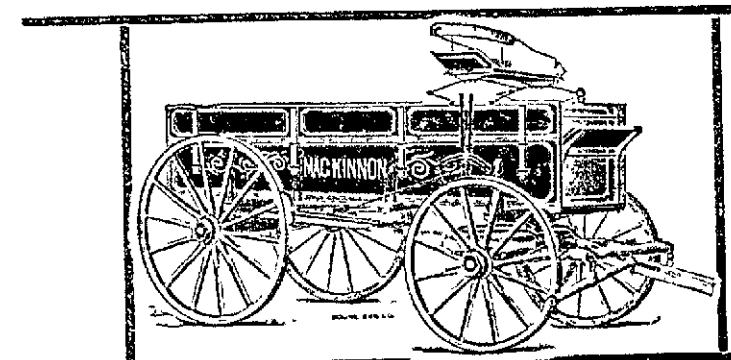
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Marshfield is all worked up over the equalization matter and as a consequence they have decided to ask to have a commission appointed to review the assessment of the county and the equalization as made by the committee of the county board. In speaking of the matter the Marshfield News says:

"By a unanimous vote of all aldermen the city council at Monday evening's meeting, decided to ask for a tax commission to review the 1903 assessment of all real property in Wood county. It was no more than could be expected after the unfair treatment of Marshfield by the board of supervisors.

A number of the members of the county board were present at the meeting. After the reading of the petition asking for a tax commission, Mr. Connor, who has served as chairman of the committee on equalization of the county board, was asked to explain the situation. He reviewed in detail how the committee worked in arriving at values and the apportionment thereof among the various assessment districts of the county. To one unfamiliar with figures it at first appeared like a very complicated proposition, but the illustrations submitted and the clear explanation by Mr. Connor, gave all an insight into the arduous duties of the equalization committee. Mr. Connor showed by actual figures how Marshfield was unquestionably getting the worst of it, if the figures submitted as a basis by the supervisor of assessment could be relied upon. The result of several methods of figuring out the tables showed that Marshfield is apportioned more than her fair share. Add to this the \$100,000 tacked on to our valuation at the last moment without the slightest reason or explanation, and it would seem there can be no question about the necessity for a commission in order to once more get all districts on an even footing.

The unanimous vote of the council clearly showed the temper of that body and expressed the wishes of the community in a demand for fair play.

Notice will at once be given to the county board that Marshfield protests against the equalization of the county board. Application will then be made to Circuit Judge C. M. Webb to name three commissioners to review assessments."

It would seem to an outsider as if the whole meat of the matter were embodied in the statement made by one of the city officers there who said in substance, when talking of the matter, "Well, even if Marshfield does not come out ahead in the matter, provided a commission is appointed, Grand Rapids will have to put up for her share of the expense of the commission."

It seems hardly possible that such a spirit as his could prevail at such an age of development as this is supposed to be, but there are times when one has no reason to be surprised.

Marshfield tried the tax commission business once before, and notwithstanding the fact that they were just as indignant then as they are now, the commissioners lowered the valuation of Grand Rapids as well as Marshfield. A tax commission is a nice thing, for the commissioners. They draw a good fat stipend and whether they labor (?) or not their salary marches merrily on.

Upon interviewing Supervisor of Assessments Cochran on the subject of the valuation as fixed by the county board, that gentleman said that he had nothing to say about the matter. He said that the whole matter of equalization had been so botched up by the committee that he did not think that the committee themselves believed for a minute that they had done what was right, and that he had not talked with anyone who considered that they had done so.

Mr. Cochran stated that the matter of equalization started in right at the start off like a series of horse trades, and while the north end was ahead of the deal at the start in, it ended up with the south end ahead.

Mr. Cochran spoke especially about the lowering of the Auburndale valuation. The aggregate valuation of the town of Auburndale, as given by the local assessor, was \$70,000. The value as fixed by the supervisor of assessment was \$87,300. When the committee on equalization got thru with it the valuation was \$54,400, or something over \$15,000 lower than the assessor of the town had fixed in his report.

It is Mr. Cochran's opinion that the committee on equalization would have done as much for the city of Marshfield as they did for the city of Auburndale.

tion they had thought proper, making the same per cent of reduction in every town.

There is one thing, however, that the Tribune would like to see done, and that is, if the equalization is improper as fixed by the committee, to see it righted by the commission. There is no reason why every man, woman and child in the county should not pay their just share of the tax, and if the people that the towns elect to equalize the matter cannot do it properly, it is a good thing that there is a higher power to appeal to. From all that can be gathered, the sharp practice in this equalization matter started with a Marshfield man, and while a great many, including the Marshfield News, would consider that this was ample excuse for vindictive up by "sticking it into Marshfield" we do not think so.

The voters of a town or city should see to it that they elect men who are not only looking out for the interests of their own town, but who are honest toward the other towns of the county, and thus save the taxpayers much money in the end.

#### Christmas.

Though Christmas comes each year it means too much ever to be stale. In religion, it celebrates the best part of the Christian faith, a new joy that came into the world. As a holiday it is the season of expansion, generosity, leading others' lives. Cold reason would say that the best time for making gifts was when necessity called, opportunity invited, or impulse urged, but Christmas throws reason to the winds and opens the arms of faith and profusion once each year. The shops are loaded with grotesque and useless toys, useless, save to give little human beings joy. Many a poor soul pinches for the sake of donating some guerdon of its love and is, perhaps, the better for the sacrifice. "Wear this for me,"—no words mean more, and of all gifts, as the American genius said, the best is a portion of thyself. "Therefore the poet brings his poem; the shepherd his lamb; the farmer, corn; the miner, a gem; the sailor, coral and shells; the painter, his picture; the girl, a handkerchief of her own painting." Alas for us, who can give only what we buy; and yet even that carries our emotion, for it is chosen lovingly. Certainly the principle of the widow's mite holds true in Christmas giving as in charity, for all depends upon what it means to the giver. Who has not been moved by receiving the tribute of a child,—a bit of paper, tooth, or curl,—comic or pathetic,—in a way that he could be touched by no carelessly choosing Croesus? So no wagonload of city roses can carry the perfume of the heart as it is borne by the blossoms which the giver's hand has culled or his slender purse has shrunk to buy. Christmas, the season of giving and rejoicing, helps us all to part of the spirit after which the day is named: the child with his joy, the rest of us with charity and the love of man. How few are a hundred Christmases in one life!—Collier's Weekly.

#### Rich Babies.

A partial inventory of the rich babies of the country embraces the Rockefeller baby, rated at \$322,000,000. The Mackey, Fair, Astor, Clark and Vanderbilt babies, rated at from \$50,000,000 to \$100,000,000 each, and a few other little paupers with only from \$12,500,000 to \$300,000,000 each. The aggregate wealth of the short list—nine only—is \$585,500,000, \$65,000,000 each. The theory is that the wealth of the nation is about \$1,000 to each one of its inhabitants, so every baby is possessed theoretically, of \$1,000 on an average. But the theory and the average are both knocked out when nine babies possess the equivalent of the entire share of 585,000 other babies. Such figures may give many mothers a startling consciousness of the magnitude of wealth centralization in this land of the free, and also of its practical effect.

#### Revolution Imminent.

A sure sign of approaching revolt and serious trouble in your system is nervousness, sleeplessness, or stomach upsets. Electric Bitters will quickly dismember the troublesome cause. It never fails to tone the stomach, regulate the kidneys and bowels, stimulate the liver, and clarify the blood. Run down systems benefit particularly and all the usual attending ache vanish under its searching and thoro effectiveness. Electric Bitters is only 50c, and that is returned if it don't give perfect satisfaction. Guaranteed by John E. Daly, druggist.

#### Holiday Excursions.

Dec. 21, 25 and 28st and Jan. 1 the C. M. & St. P. Ry. will sell excursion tickets to points within 200 miles at one and one third fare for the round trip good to return to and including Jan. 1 1904.

#### To Cure a cold in one Day.

Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. E. W. Grove's signature is on each box. 75c.

#### ADDITIONAL LOCAL.

-- We have not much time to tell you what we are offering in the Christmas line this year because we are busy all the time selling goods, but still we don't want anybody to miss seeing the nice things we have in stock simply because we did not call their attention to the fact. You must not fail to happen into the drug department some day before long and let us show you our line of pretty things. Johnson & Hill Co.

-- The three Hickman Brothers and their musical farce showed at the Opera House last evening to an enthusiastic audience which thoroughly appreciated the comedy and musical features. The whole program was complete in every respect; all show themselves to be artists in their respective lines. Every member of the company received worthy applause.—Newark (N. J.) Times. At the Grand Opera House Saturday night Dec. 19th.

The Wisconsin Development association, which was organized at Marshfield a few months ago with a great flourish of trumpets, has disbanded. The object of the association was to unite the interests of the large landholders and secure funds for advertising this section of the state so that settlers might be attracted and promoters of manufacturing plants could be given information as to the resources. That it could have accomplished much is certain, but there was a lack of harmony and the holders of much land refused financial co-operation. Under these conditions there could be only one result—the association was forced out of existence.—Wausau Record.

--The most select and complete stock of jewelry, cut glass, china, silverware and musical instruments ever displayed in Grand Rapids you will find at Hirzy's.

Miss Valley Lumberman: The register of deeds of Lincoln county has been kept busy the past few days recording a deed of all the Bradley Company's hemlock lands in Lincoln county to the United States Leather Company, or rather from P. A. Gilbert of Warren, Pa., to the United States Leather Company, because that gentleman negotiated the sale and the deed was to him from the Bradley Company. The deed includes about 1,600 descriptions, and the Leather Company will only take the bark, the timber land being still in the possession of the Bradley Company. These lands will cut from 50,000 to 400,000 feet of logs to the description. Thus it will be seen that considerable timber is still standing in this county. The Bradley Company do not own, either, more than the eighth part of all the timber standing. Barring fires, lumbering in this city ought to be continued for many years.

--A large assortment of Rochester chaffing dishes and Landers, Frary & Clark carving and game sets. Also sterling silver and plated ware at lowest prices at Hirzy's.

#### Proposed Night School

The establishment of evening classes for those who are unable to avail themselves of the benefits of the day schools, has been under consideration by the Board of Education for the past two years. They are anxious this time, to ascertain if a sufficient number of pupils desire to avail themselves of the advantages of evening classes to warrant the hiring of a teacher to take charge of this work. The subjects that would be taught in the evening classes if such were organized would depend largely on the needs and desires of those who take the work, but classes in bookkeeping, arithmetic, composition, business penmanship, etc., would be included. Opportunity would be afforded to pupils to take work, two, three or five evenings in the week. The charge would probably be from \$1.50 to \$2.00 a month.

If such classes are to be organized it will be necessary to make arrangements and secure a teacher at once, so that the work may begin immediately after the holidays.

All persons who wish to take work in evening classes are requested to report at once to the undersigned or to any member of the Board of Education, as the establishment of such classes will depend on the number of pupils who wish to avail themselves of these advantages.

These classes if organized will probably not be open to pupils who are now attending any of the day schools.

H. S. Youker,  
City Supt of Schools.

-- You may be thinking of building next spring and if so you will want to buy a lot. Before doing so you should see Mrs. F. P. Daly, who has some very convenient property on both sides of the river. The prices are low, and money can be saved by buying this fall. See Mrs. Daly or John Jeffrey for further particulars.

#### Letter List.

West side: Rev. E. D. Lantz, J. H. Hastings, Joe Schuster, Wm. Tennant, John Dolan.

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## Fall in Line all You People

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Given Away Thursday, Dec. 24.

1 Big \$10.00 Doll, 1 barrel of best New York Apples, 1 Pair of Men's or Ladies' Patent Leather Shoes. For particulars inquire.

What to buy for Xmas for your father, husband, uncles and brothers.

Linen Handkerchiefs, Ties, Shoes.	Silk Handkerchiefs, Suit Cases, Hose, Paper Knives.	Initial Handkerchiefs, Gloves, Flannelette Gowns, Shirts, etc.	Mufflers, Mittens, Ink Wells,
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What to buy for mother, wife, sister, etc.

Dress Patterns, Silk Shawls, White Aprons, Portiers, Bed Room Slippers.	Waists, Persian Shawls, Hose, Coats, Table Linens, Lunch Cloths.	Kid Gloves, Fine Handkerchiefs, Rugs, Laces and Embroideries, Towels, Fine Stock Collars.	Golf Gloves, Shoes, Furs, Lace Collars, Sweaters.
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For Children.

Dolls, Tights, Hair Ribbons.	Stationery, Leggins, Shoes, Baskets,	Dress Goods, Golf Gloves, Boys' Ties, Furs.	Underwear, Boys' Ties, Perfumery,
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For Infants.

Hoods,	Knit Jackets, Shoes and Slippers,	Booties, Silk Mittens.	Dolls,
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29c for nice flannelette shirt waist worth 75c.  
98c for flannel, brilliantine and white vesting shirt waist with fancy dots and stripes worth \$1.50, \$2.00 and \$2.50.

These are great bargains.

All our 50c stocking caps 39c; 25c for 19c.  
39c for white, red, blue or black tams worth 50c.  
All \$1.00 tams for 69c.  
All our Misses' and Children's coats at cost until closed out.

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Office on the west side over the Gross-Lyons Co. store.

**SHORT LOCALS**

Picture frames made to order. Morterud Studio.

James Dalzin, is in Milwaukee this week on business.

Ira Bassett left on Monday for Kilbourn on a business trip.

Wanted, a good cook, apply at once at Mrs. Geo. E. Hoskinson's.

Landlord Crottean of the Hotel Lyon was on the sick list this week.

Louis Zelzer the tailor was confined to the house last week by sickness.

Fred M. Logan of Rudolph was a pleasant caller at the Tribune office last Wednesday.

Owen Love went to Merrill on Thursday on business, returning home the day following.

I employ a fine engraver and engrave every design free of charge. A. P. Hirzy's.

St. Catherine's Guild will hold no more meetings until the first Friday of the coming year.

R. T. Doud of Winona was a guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Muir several days last week.

Mr. and Mrs. N. A. Anderson of Marshfield were guests of Mr. and Mrs. John Bell Jr. on Thursday.

500 men wanted to eat hot lunch and unload schooners at Lawler and Farrer's.

The Rolnick, a weekly Polish paper published at Stevens Point, was sold last week by its owner S. Hurton to S. H. Hard and J. A. Warzella.

Hot things in underwear for cold weather with prices so mild at Gross & Lyons Co.

Otto Erdman, who is employed in the new table factory at Dexterville, came over on Saturday to spend the Sabbath with his family in this city.

Albert Whitrock of Sigel was in the city on Saturday and while here paid the Tribune office a pleasant call.

Don't miss the cloak sale. 33 1/2 per cent discount from now until January 1st at Gross & Lyons Co.

Superintendent H. S. Youker was at Whitewater on Friday and Saturday, he being one of the state board of normal visitors.

T. A. Taylor and E. Oberbeck went to Chicago on Friday, spending Saturday in the Windy city and the day following at Milwaukee.

"Give us time enough." Don't wait till a week before Christmas to give your order for Xmas pictures but come now. Morterud Studio.

Mrs. Alexander Corbett, wife of the Rev. A. Corbett, and two children arrived in the city on Sunday from Oregon, and will take up their residence here.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank A. Cady left on Thursday evening for Milwaukee, where they expected to spend a few days visiting and taking in the sights. They went by way of Marshfield.

Examine our goods even if you buy of the other fellow, your chances will be so much better. A. P. Hirzy, the German jeweler.

Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Rourke were called to Cashton on Saturday where they went to attend the funeral of Mrs. Rourke's sister. They returned home on Tuesday.

A fine line of decorated china at the jewelry store of W. G. Scott.

District Attorney T. W. Brazean and Clerk of Court C. A. Podawiltz went to Marshfield on Thursday evening to attend the charity ball given by the Helping Hand society of that city. They reported a very pleasant time upon their return.

Some of the cutest little watches in the land can be seen at the jewelry store of W. G. Scott.

Wausan Herald: Mrs. Peter Cooney and son Danny, of Grand Rapids accompanied by the lady's brother-in-law, Dan Cooney, of New York state, spent Sunday at the home of Mrs. Cooney's mother, Mrs. Henry Martini.

The display of Christmas goods in the drug department this year is a wonder and we want all of the people of Grand Rapids to come and see it. You will find many things to please you. Johnson & Hill Co.

Miss Nellie Willard, who has been visiting at her home near Fond du Lac for two weeks past, returned to this city on Friday. J. C. Willard went down and spent Friday with his folks and returned that evening with his sister.

Try one of those flexibone corsets that fit so glyoia like and feel better than a coat sleeve around the waist. Price 50 cents to \$3.00, sold by Gross & Lyons Co.

H. C. Remington of Larimour, S. D., was in the city for a few hours last Wednesday. Mr. Remington formerly lived at Babcock, but is now running a train out in the western county and looks very much as if the county and his environments in general agreed with him.

A fine electric ball clock which never needs winding makes a nice Christmas gift. Examine them at Hirzy's store. Very low.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Griggs left on Tuesday for Dallas, Texas, where they expect to spend about ten days visiting at their old home and among friends. Mr. Griggs expects to be able to give his former acquaintances down there some glowing accounts of the bracing nature of the atmosphere in Wisconsin just now.

We appeal to your common sense. We know that you are going to trade where you can get the best value for the least money. That is the reason we ask you to come to our store and get prices before looking elsewhere. Our stock is certainly the largest it has ever been which means that it is the largest in Wood county. Johnson & Hill Co.

A pair of fine gold spectacles is a fine Xmas present for the old folks, which can be accurately fitted at any time at A. P. Hirzy's the German ophthalmic Optician.

J. J. Varney of Babcock was in the city for several hours yesterday, having come up on business. Mr. Varney reports that his wife is rapidly recovering her health tho at one time this fall it was not thought that she could recover. She recently returned from the Tomah hospital where she had been for some time undergoing treatment.

Those pretty slippers would make such a nice present for your sister or best girl. Come and see at Gross & Lyons Co.

Marshfield Times:—Messrs. Drumb & Sutor of the Grand Rapids Tribune, have added a new Simplex typesetting machine to their printing plant and will cut out the hand work on straight composition. The machine is a fine one equipped with electric power and works to perfection. Our progressive brethren are to be congratulated upon their new acquisition.

We are showing a very extensive line of ten and fourteen karat gold jewelry, and fine solid gold watches a specialty, and we sell them at the lowest price. A. P. Hirzy.

Garry Mason has installed a fine musical instrument in his sample room, it being one of the nicest of the kind in this part of the country. It is one of the Regina instruments, and is actuated by a spring, but the musical part of it, instead of being of the old comb variety, is made of steel strings like a piano, besides which there are orchestra accompaniments. It is one of the nicest instruments turned out by this house.

Diamonds, cut Glass, Silverware of all kinds and many appropriate articles for holiday gifts can be found at the jewelry store of W. G. Scott.

John Jung of Vesper, was a business visitor in the city on Tuesday. Mr. Jung recently sold his farm for \$6,500 and is looking for a desirable piece of property in this city, which he intends to make his home hereafter. Mr. Jung located on his farm 12 years ago and at the present time his place is considered one of the best in that locality being at one time recommended by a committee of the county board to be purchased for a poor farm.

Santa Claus will get a good supply of pretty pillow tops and embroidered silks with handkerchiefs galore for his chosen friends at Gross & Lyons Co.

The musical farce comedy, "Down and Up" was greeted by a large audience last evening at the opera house. The many flattering notices given this company by the press were deserved, for the performance was good throughout.—Altosna, Pa., Tribune.

At the Grand Opera House Saturday Dec. 19 1903.

We have made our diamond prices so interesting that in spite of the sharp advance during 1903 our diamonds are as low or lower than before. A. P. Hirzy.

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The price is the most important thing in buying and selling. I made a special study how to sell the best goods at the lowest price, and have succeeded and will prove it this Christmas. A. P. Hirzy.

Appleton preachers are advertising their services. The innovation has been such a success that it is being imitated in other cities. Rev. S. H. Anderson, of the Methodist church there, has taken a new tack to make his services more attractive. For the first time in local history a preacher is holding revival meetings which are followed by a luncheon served where a moment before a preacher discussed some vital spiritual question, in the church parlors.

Makes assimilation perfect, healthy blood, firm muscles, strong nerves. Quickens the brain, makes and keeps you well. Great medicine, Rocky Mountain Tea. Johnson, Hill & Co.

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ing pens with pearl handles and fountain pens at A. P. Hirzy's. Prices very low.

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You will not be misled when you get into their store, as they will show you the largest and best selected stock of dependable merchandise in their line in the city of Grand Rapids, which consists of

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Hats and Caps for Men and Boys. Newest Novelties	Suits for Young Men, ages from 16 to 20 years, from \$18.00 down to \$2 50	Beautiful Silk Umbrellas.
Men's and Boys' Shoes	Men's fancy Hosiery, Cotton, Cashmere and Lisle, from 50c down	Suits for Boys from \$10.00 down to \$1.50
Men's Sweaters, \$6.00 to 50c	Men's Fancy Suspenders \$1.25 to 25c. Silk and Satin in individual boxes	Overcoats for Boys from \$10 down to \$3.50
Fancy and Dress Shirts. New Colorings.	Trunks, Dress Suit Cases, Hand Bags, best in the city	Fine Gloves and Mittens
Overcoats for Men from \$25 down to \$5.00	Men's Fancy and Plain Handkerchiefs from \$1.00 down to 5c each	Men's Mufflers
Overcoats for Young Men from \$18.00 down to \$5.00		Men's Fancy Slippers

**SEEING IS BELIEVING.**

And we want you to lend us your eyes for a short time. Come one and all and bring your friends and neighbors to the BIG SHOWING of useful gifts suitable of the most fastidious. You can't miss the way, all roads lead here.

**KRUGER & WARNER,**  
Outfitters of Mankind. Wood's brick block, East Side.











Miss Gertrude Withers of this place were married Sunday afternoon at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Withers. They were attended by Mr. Wells and Miss Nelson both of Armenia. Rev. W. A. Peterson performed the ceremony. After the ceremony an oyster supper was served and later on in the evening other light refreshments. The young couple will make their home in Armenia where the groom owns a large farm.

Alb. Tuom's team which was tied in front of the store Saturday evening became untied in some manner and started for home. When they reached the railroad track they turned on to the track and the sleigh became caught and held them there. Some one going along the track found the team and with assistance they were gotten off before any train caught them.

O. D. Billings traded the building occupied by John Boles to Nekeosa parties last week. John will sell hardware, however, same as usual at the same old stand.

Aug. Buss is logging some of his land east of here. It is a surprise to see the fine logs which are still left hereabouts. He is hauling them to M. O. Kroglow.

A diamond never wears out, it never becomes second hand, it never diminishes in value; it is a good investment. Examine Hirzy's assortment.

Otto Bios of Mauston will arrive this week with a sawmill outfit which will be set up near Frank Pribbano's on the Five Mile creek.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Witt were in Seneca over Sunday attending the christening of a baby at Chas. Schroeders.

Wm. Upperman of your city is operating a hay press a short way east of here.

Agnes Benkoskie is working for Wm. H. Witt's for a few weeks.

What did you draw? I drew a spoon.

#### Choice Meats.

Paylick & Rick have ordered a large quantity of the choicest beef to be obtained in the market of Swift & Co., St. Louis, for the holiday trade. Call on them for choice chops and roasts. This beef will be the best money can buy.

#### Weary Willie Walker.

The show given at the opera house on Friday night was somewhat of a conundrum. There was some points that were good and some that were not so good. Weary Willie himself was quite funny, altho some of the others were a trifle out the usual line of what is considered exactly clean in a small town. Parties who saw the show other places said that much of what might be considered "racy" had been eliminated from the show.

#### No Middle Man to Take the Profit.

I buy direct from the manufacturer and can sell goods lower than the lowest. If my customers depend on my judgment in buying goods they will receive full value for their money, as I never misrepresent any goods and guarantee all goods as represented. A. P. Hirzy, the German jeweler.

#### F. BEADLE,

The all around handy man, has managed to scrape up another month's rent, and while he is allowed to remain in the building he would be pleased to show you a fine

#### Line of Christmas Pictures

which he has on hand. He also Makes Frames to Order.

CALL AND SEE HIM.

## Money to Loan

On Improved Farms and City Property.

#### Abstracts of Title

Deeds, Mortgages, Land Contracts, etc., carefully drawn.

#### For Rent

A five room house four blocks from west side postoffice.

#### For Sale

Four good Lots near Polish Catholic church on west side. Also a large list of other good city and farm property.

### C. E. BOLES,

Tel 322 Office in MacKinnon block, west side of bridge

The first annual ball given by the Brotherhood of Railway trainmen, of P. O. Hart Lodge, 657 will be held at Babcock Thursday evening Dec. 31, 1903 at the opera house. Music will be furnished by the Big Four of Grand Rapids and supper will be served at Hotel Woodland annex by Catholic ladies. Tickets to dance \$1.00, supper 50 cents per couple. All are invited to attend and the trainmen promise an enjoyable evening.

Miss Belle Akey has severed her connection with the school here, she is going to Milwaukee to business college. It is greatly regretted as Belle is liked by every one, having taught in our primary department three years and has given universal satisfaction it will be hard to get a teacher to take her place.

Arthur Rood and family have returned to Babcock the will stay about three months, while Mr. Rood collects the taxes, he being town treasurer.

Anna Lacy and Grover Stout who are attending High School in Grand Rapids spent Saturday and Sunday under the parental roof.

Miss Grace Daniels of Daly, who is teaching in Port Edwards, spent Sunday in town the guest of Dr. Morse's family.

The finest assortment of gold and mantle clocks at the lowest prices. A. P. Hirzy.

Mrs. J. J. O'Riley and little daughter were Grand Rapids visitors last Thursday.

L. Stiles who has been seriously ill for the last few weeks is able to be about again.

Mrs. James Varney left Friday morning for Minneapolis for a short visit.

Mrs. Chas. Conklin was shopping in LaCrosse on Saturday.

Geo. W. Lyons of your city spent Sunday in Babcock.

L. Ward returned from Milwaukee on Sunday.

#### Three Cold Days

It is seldom that we experience such cold weather in this part of the country as made its presence known here on Saturday night and Sunday. The mercury that morning stood at 32 degrees below zero, and as a gale was blowing at the time, it was decidedly uncomfortable for anyone who had to be out of doors. On Monday morning the mercury had registered twenty below and on Tuesday morning it was down to sixteen below. Wisconsin people are quite used to cold weather, but this was just a trifle worse than anything we have had for some time.

#### WOOD COUNTY COURT—IN PROBATE.

State of Wisconsin, Wood County.

In the matter of the last Will and Testament of Salem Gokey, deceased. Whereas, An instrument, in writing, purporting to be the last will and testament of Salem Gokey, deceased, late of Wood County has been filed in this office:

And Whereas, Application has been made by Aken Gokey praying that the same be proven and admitted to probate, according to the laws of this state, and that letters testamentary be granted thereon according to law.

It is Ordered, That said application be heard before me, at the probate office, in the city of Grand Rapids, on the 12th day of January A. D. 1904, at 10 o'clock, A. M.

And it is further ordered, That notice of the time and place appointed for hearing said application be given to all persons interested, by publishing a copy of this order for three weeks successively, in the Grand Rapids Tribune, a newspaper printed in said county, previous to said hearing. Dated, December 16th, 1903 By the Court,

W. J. CONWAY,  
County Judge

I can assure you that I have the best assortment of diamond stock in the city. A. P. Hirzy, near bridge

I am determined to give you the best value for your money. A. P. Hirzy.

Marshfield Times: J. W. Cochran, supervisor of assessments for Wood county, has issued three interesting tables of statistics in regard to the true and assessed valuation of property in the various towns of the county. The supervisor places the true value of the city of Marshfield at \$100 per acre with improvements and the city of Grand Rapids at \$15 per acre. Among the towns exclusive of villages the town of Marshfield is given the highest acreage valuation at \$34.12 per acre, town of Lincoln \$30.71, Sigel \$24.91, Auburndale \$20.97, Rock \$20.85, Milladore \$20.51, Rudolph \$20.30, Wood \$19.33, Sherry \$18.31, Arpin \$15.51, Richfield \$14.72.

In answer to the above Mr. Cochran has submitted the following letter, which tends to show that the editor of the Times is laboring under a misapprehension.

To the Editor of the Marshfield Times:

In your issue of December 11th you published an article under the head of "Acreage Valuation Estimates," giving certain estimates made by me, as supervisor of assessment, of Grand Rapids and Marshfield acreage values, which may be misleading to your readers for the reason that you omit to give the valuation of city lots and improvements separately from acreage values, and omit to explain that the estimate of acreage values refers only to lands lying outside of the city plats in each of the cities.

The fact is, that only a small portion of the territory of the two cities is estimated as acreage, the balance being included in city lots and improvements. The city plat and additions of Marshfield are practically in the center of the city limits, and the acreage, which is estimated by me at \$100.00 per acre, are farm lands, not platted, immediately adjoining the city plat on all sides, and such lands are about equidistant from the center of the platted portion of the city and all good farming lands; while at Grand Rapids the unplatted portion covers, in the northwestern, southern and southwestern portions of the city, a considerable extent of marsh lands, which are practically worthless for farming purposes and are at a considerable distance from the platted portion. These lands are of no practical value, except as they may in the future become necessary for building purposes. Any person at all conversant with the lay of the land in the two cities knows this to be a fact.

Had you given, in addition to the acreage values, the estimates made by me of the values of city lots and improvements in each city, the statement would not have been so misleading. As it stands, without this explanation, it seems to me to be unfair to me; and I would therefore ask you to make the explanation of the figures given by you in the columns of your paper.

Respectfully yours,  
J. W. COCHRAN,  
Supervisor of Assessment.

#### STATE OF WISCONSIN—WOOD COUNTY—IN COUNTY COURT.

In the Matter of the Estate of Mary Hutton, Deceased.

On reading and filing the petition of Michael Vincent, administrator of the estate of Mary Hutton, deceased, representing among other things that the said deceased died seized of certain real estate and that it is necessary to sell the same to pay the debts of said deceased, and praying for license to sell the same, and it appearing to the Court that it is necessary to sell said real estate for that purpose.

It is Ordered, That said petition be heard at a special term of said County Court to be held in and for said County at the court house in the city of Grand Rapids, on the second Tuesday, being the 12th day of January, A. D. 1904, at 10:00 o'clock in the forenoon.

It is further Ordered, That this order be published at least three successive weeks before said day fixed for the hearing of said petition, in the Grand Rapids Tribune, a weekly newspaper published at the city of Grand Rapids, in said county, and that a copy thereof be served personally on George Hutton and on all other persons interested in said estate and residing in this county at least twenty days before said day.

Dated December 15th, A. D. 1903. By the Court,

W. J. CONWAY,

#### A Costly Mistake.

Blunders are sometimes very expensive. Occasionally life itself is the cost of a mistake, but you'll never be wrong if you take Dr. King's New Life Pills for Dyspepsia, Dizziness, Headache, Liver or Bowel troubles. They are gentle, yet thorough. 25c at Daly's drug store.

#### A Successful Sale.

The Congregational ladies held a very successful sale and supper at the G. A. R. hall on Thursday afternoon and evening, clearing something over one hundred dollars by their work. A large number of people attended both the sale and supper, and the ladies were kept moving at a rapid rate in order to supply the wants of those there.

The following program will be given Thursday evening at the Lincoln High School.

Music—"Uncle Sammy".....  
.....High School Orchestra  
Recitation—"The Fate of Virginia".....  
.....Elsie Dupre  
Music—"Bacchante" Girls Quartette  
Debate: Resolved, that the United States government should own and operate its railroads.  
Affirmative.....  
Negative.....  
Clay Lamberton, Frank Nintz,  
Chas. Loeffelbein, Chas. Nash.  
Music—"Symphonia Waltzes".....  
.....High School Orchestra  
Gymnastic Exhibition—Club Swinging  
Recitation—"The Theater Party from Mrs. Wiggs".....  
.....Nathalie Hunnell  
Dumb Bell Chorus.....  
.....Eighth Grade Girls  
Music—"Asleep in the Deep".....  
.....Orchestra and Boys Chorus  
Recitation—"The Second Table".....  
.....Anthony Looze  
Decision of Judges  
Music—"Trist's Fads and Fancies".....  
.....Orchestra

W. C. Baumgartner has opened a hand Laundry and is ready to do your work. Resident Phone 44.

FOR SALE.—6 horse power boiler and 5 horse power steam engine. Would make a good outfit for wood saw. Inquire of Pavlick & Rick.

#### To Meat Buyers.

After January 1st the meat markets of Grand Rapids will remain closed all day Sunday, instead of keeping open until nine o'clock Sunday morning as has been the custom. Users of meat will govern themselves accordingly and get their Sunday supply on Saturday. Orders will be taken up to five o'clock on Saturday for delivery.

It warms the heart like sunshine, cheers the soul like ancient wine, gives hope for the future, blots out the past. That's what Rocky Mountain Tea does. 35 cents. Johnson, Hill & Co.

Books, an endless variety, at lowest prices at Otto's Pharmacy.

Don't be imposed upon by taking substitutes offered for Foley's Honey and Tar. Johnson & Hill Co.

#### A Timely Topic.

At this season of coughs and colds it is well to know that Foley's Honey and Tar is the greatest throat and lung remedy. It cures quickly and prevents serious results from a cold. Johnson & Hill Co.

## CORBETT'S ...For Christmas Gifts...

The Editor has just come in for my Ad. but being to busy this week I did not have time to write one. Not wishing to disappoint the editor who always insists that advertising pays, I took down our poetical machine, which has grown somewhat rusty since our last effort—the in a "Milwaukee Sunday Sentinel," gave the crank two or three turns and ground out the following poem You Should Know.

Forget Me Not---HUGH.

#### Hiawatha on Christmas.

"Goodness me!" said Hiawatha, As he watched the Christmas shoppers Buying pretty things for Christmas Down at Corbett's clothing store; Saw the thoughtful wives and daughters spending Papa's roll for smoking jackets, Fine neckties and pretty mufflers, Handkerchiefs and swell suspenders, To be used as Christmas presents, "What a simple thing was Christmas In the days when I was moving In the Injun upper circles— In the days when people called me The H. Lehr of the Ojibways. I was writing Minnehaha. And as Christmas was approaching I began to sigh and wonder, Wonder what my Laughing Water Intended giving me for Christmas. How I wish Hugh had been with us So that old Nokomis might entice her Into Hugh's store, just to show her The fine display of Christmas presents. And to hand her out some con. talk About my wisdom and my fancies. Have Hugh make a spiel to Minnie About fancy hose, gloves and suspenders, Pretty mufflers and red sweaters, Smoking jackets and pajamas. Dress suit shirt protectors and umbrellas. So that she would up and buy me Something suitable for Christmas."

## HUGH G. CORBETT,

Giver of Real Bargains.

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## Department Stores

GRAND RAPIDS,  
WISCONSIN.

## FUR COATS.

Now that winter is upon us and a warm overcoat is a necessity, we invite you to call and look over our line of overcoats. The best and largest stock in Wood county to select from.

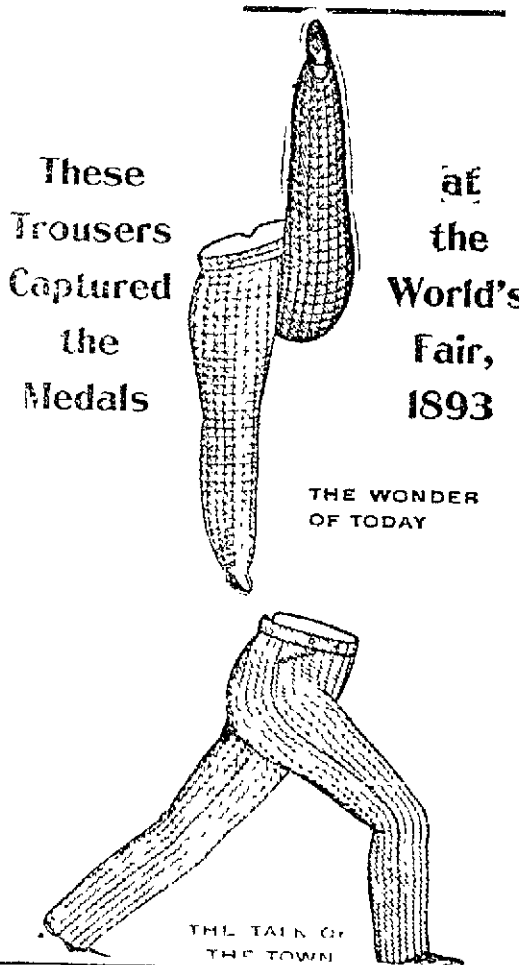
## CHRISTMAS SHOPPERS

Will do well to call at this store and look over our large line of Capes, Jackets and Furs, Men and Boys Suits and Caps.

SEE OUR BIG STOCK OF CARPETS.

## SHOES.

Remember we are sole agents for the celebrated W. L. Duglass shoes—the shoes that keep your feet warm.



Selz are the shoes that make your feet laugh—we have them—no one else has. We also have Hamiltan & Brown, Bradley & Metcalf, North Star.

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